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Geo. Sine Speaks At Salinas CLC; Ballot July 6

George Sine, prominent in Salinas A. F. of L. labor circles some 10 years ago before he moved to Vallejo, was a guest and speaker at the Monterey County Central Labor Union at Salinas at the June 15 meeting, Secretary A. J. Clark reports.

Sine told of the past history of the labor council, of which he was an officer as delegate from Carpenters Union 925, and discussed political activity by labor unionists. He suggested that when letters are to be sent to legislators, they be sent to committees in which the legislation is pending as well as to the congressmen, senators, or state officials involved.

The labor council at this meeting started nomination of officers for the July 6 election. No meeting was held last Friday because of "Big Week" and further nominations were scheduled for this Friday night's council session, Clark said.

Nominated thus far are: R. A. Wood and Robert Shinn, for president; Jimmie Butler Jr., for vice president; Clark, for secretary-treasurer; Roy Hearn, for sergeant-at-arms; Harvey Baldwin and E. A. Helsley, for one-year trustee; Carmen Kenyon, for two-year trustee; J. F. Mattos, Clark, Wood and Fred Clayson, for organizing committee; Fred Storer, Clark and W. D. Empie, for negotiating committee; Lillian Johnson, Clark and Carl Helms, for press committee.

Other business at this meeting included:

Acceptance of Alfonso Garcia as new delegate from Farm Labor Union 286.

Report from Laborers Union 272 on a special election for business agent and other officers scheduled at the July 9 meeting.

Report from Painters 1104 on negotiations for a new contract, with little progress reported but with an effective date of June 1 established.

Donation of \$10 to the fund for the Little League Baseball Park.

Introduction and remarks by Peter B. Dies, former delegate from Butchers Union 506 and now a market owner.

Decision to hold up the selection of delegates to the State Federation of Labor convention in August until a future meeting.

CLERKS TO MEET WEDS. ON PACT

Members of Retail Clerks Union 839 of Monterey and Santa Cruz counties are scheduled to meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday of this week in Salinas to hear a report on latest offers from employers in regard to a new contract, Secretary Garold F. Miller reported.

The employer group was to meet on Monday to discuss the situation which resulted when clerks rejected an offer and voted to stand pat on demands for a 40-hour week and wages on a par with those of San Jose and San Francisco, Miller said. Employers have offered only a renewal of the present 48-hour week.

Women in Labor

Washington (LPA)—In the AFL Machinists, 376 women hold offices in local and district lodges. Several thousand other women serve as shop stewards or members of shop committees.

"WISHING WELL" SIGNS CONTRACT WITH LOCAL 483

Contract has been signed by Culinary Alliance and Bartenders Union 483 of Monterey covering the "Wishing Well," major restaurant located at 2335 Fremont Extension, in the Seaside area.

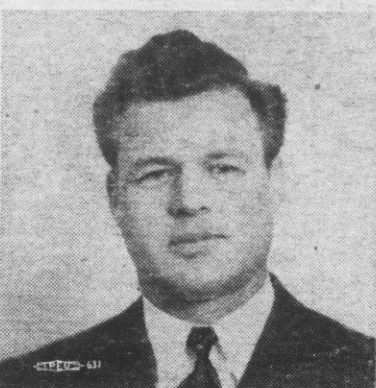
Union Secretary Royal E. Hallmark of the union said the agreement was signed by Manager Kenneth Harbrough of the restaurant last week. The union had been contemplating action against the house since it requested and was granted labor council assistance some time ago, but picket lines were not placed, Hallmark said.

The "Wishing Well" employs about 16 workers, who will come into Local 483, Hallmark said. The restaurant is new, having been built and opened just a year ago.

Key Incumbents Without Contest In L.U. 483 Vote

Incumbent officers in key positions are without opposition for reelection in the balloting of Culinary-Bartenders Union 483 of Monterey next Tuesday (July 3) but contests for trustee and inspector have livened the election program.

Secretary-Treasurer Royal E. Hallmark, who took over this post at the first of the year when



ROYAL E. HALLMARK

George L. Rice resigned, was re-elected to continue in the office. Robert Harrington was chosen again for president and Eddie Hazelton was lone candidate for the vice president position held by Wayne Cantu, who declined to run again.

On election day, next Tuesday, the union election polls will be set up in the union headquarters, 315 Alvarado St., from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Members must cast ballots or face an assessment for not voting, it was announced.

Next meeting of Local 483 will be Wednesday afternoon, July 18, the union having voted to cancel its meeting scheduled on Fourth of July.

Nominations, completed last week, have been as follows:

For president: Robert Harrington.

For vice president: Eddie Hazelton.

For recording secretary: Lucille McNally.

For secretary-treasurer business agent: Royal E. Hallmark.

For guard: Annie Ambrogio.

For inspector: Helen Peake and Irma Senti.

For trustees: Dorothy Leitz, George Adams, Barney Doyle, James Allison, Franklin Chadwick, William Buick, Alex Honstein and Wilford L. Ward.

For chaplain: Ralph Cardwell.

For labor council delegates: John Schlitt and Claude Smith.

Capitol is Flooded With Demands For Controls



ORCHIDS FOR AFL COMMENTATOR—Senator Herbert Lehman (D., N.Y.), left, praised radio commentator Frank Edwards in a public statement for his assistance in the battle to win insurance benefits for all veterans. Edwards is heard five nights weekly on an AFL program carried by Mutual. (LPA)

LABORERS 272 SET SPECIAL BALLOT JULY 9

Members of Laborers Union 272 of Salinas will have a special election at the meeting of Monday night, July 9, at Salinas Labor Temple, to fill the offices of business agent and other key posts of the union. All members are asked to attend.

Acting Business Agent Wray D. ("Bill") Empie announced that work for union laborers in the Hollister area has shown a sharp increase with several projects starting.

Granite Construction Co. is starting work on the Bay View Road near Hollister and also is pressing work on the road job at Bolado Park.

In the southern part of the county, Frederickson & Watson Co. of Sacramento have started work on State Highway 101 near Chualar, calling union workmen.

PAINTERS 1104 ELECT TUESDAY

Annual elections are scheduled at the meeting of Painters Union 1104 of Salinas on Tuesday night of this week, but key incumbents are without opposition for re-election.

Nominated at last week's meeting were:

For President: O. Steeper.

For Vice President: O. Gulbrandsen and H. Tevares.

For Recording Secretary: L. Wendelken.

For Financial Secretary and Business Representative: Peter A. Greco.

For Treasurer: Ed Devitt.

For Conductor: J. B. Reed.

For Warden: J. Barlow and O. Gulbrandsen.

For Trustees: J. B. Reed, E. Hiller and Wm. B. Bradley.

For Alternate Trustee: H. Tevares.

Reports required by wage stabilization regulations can be filed with any Federal Wage-Hour Division office.

Unorganized Are A Threat—Green

Atlantic City, N.J. — Speaking at the merger convention of the Pocketbook Workers with the AFL Handbag Workers, AFL President Green said:

"Facing all of labor is the great unfinished task of organization."

"The continued existence of unorganized substandard shops is a threat to the welfare of all workers. There is no union which is so strong that it can afford to overlook this point of weakness. The standards of no group are completely secure from attack in this economic area."

Controls Needed For 2 More Years

Washington. — President Truman said we need economic controls for two more years beyond their June 30 expiration.

"We would need controls even if the fighting in Korea stopped tomorrow," he said. "We are carrying on a tremendous mobilization program, which is absolutely necessary to prevent the Soviet rulers from starting a third world war."

"Controls are absolutely necessary for at least the next two years, no matter what happens in Korea."

Doctors' Lobby Fires Publicity Agents, Then Changes Mind

Atlantic City (LPA)—The American Medical Association, in convention here, announced it was ending its fight on compulsory health insurance, because the fight on "socialized medicine" was over. The trustees fired the publicity team of Whitaker & Baxter (\$50,000 a year each), but the House of Delegates overruled the trustees. The reason: AMA is worried about a proposal to permit the 5,000,000 who now get old age and survivors' insurance up to 60 days a year of free hospital care.

While committees of Congress began hedging, sidestepping actions toward renewal of economic controls, showing obvious favoritism for the big profiteering lobbies and ignoring the consumers' interests, organized labor led off one of the biggest letter-writing campaigns in recent years, demanding new, strong controls.

In a flood of letters and telegrams, and by personal contact of union leaders in Washington, labor emphasized these points:

1. Firm controls must be held on prices, rents, and quality of goods, with no appeasement of special interests.

2. Plugging of tax loopholes whereby the wealthy evade taxes and the burden falls on the worker-consumer.

3. Stopping of political investigations which are being used as a headline-catcher to divert attention from the big steal of defense profiteering.

AFL Secretary George Meany charged that the "business-dominated" 82nd Congress is trying to wreck controls under pressure from "profit-mad" industrialists. He said Congress seems paralyzed and has "flouted or ignored" sound policies. He urged a strong demand from the people and added, "When America wakes up, Washington will get busy."

Economic Stabilizer Eric Johnston, in a blistering attack on the National Association of Manufacturers, said June 21 that the NAM wants all non-businessmen treated as "second-class citizens."

Charging that every price boost is a pay cut for the workers, AFL President William Green declared the big boys want controls over only one thing—wages.

United Mine Workers President John L. Lewis called for a bread-and-butter united front labor program to combat that "evil day" of depression when we may be "all dressed up (for war) and have no place to go. . . . Mr. Wilson says that by 1953 we will be so powerful Russia will be afraid to fight us. If Russia doesn't want to fight us then, who will we fight?"

Housewives Break Cattleman's Strike

New York—The New York Times reported flatly that housewives' boycott of high-priced beef is breaking the holdback strike being waged by a section of the country's cattle producers.

Housewives are buying eggs, poultry and cheese instead of beef, The Times said.

Cattle shipments to the major markets began rising.

Meanwhile representatives of the nation's meat packers told the Joint Congressional Committee on Defense Production that beef farmers are not on a strike against Office of Price Stabilization ceilings. The meat packers warned the committee that price controls would greatly reduce meat production.

The AFL Executive Council said at its May meeting that unless the Government makes the beef ceilings work the whole attempt to control prices and inflation will collapse.

Rep. Emanuel Celler, New York, recommended that the packing houses be seized and operated by the government to break the beef strike by producers. Other spokesmen urged a boycott of beef by housewives, such as the New York Times reported to be working successfully in New York.

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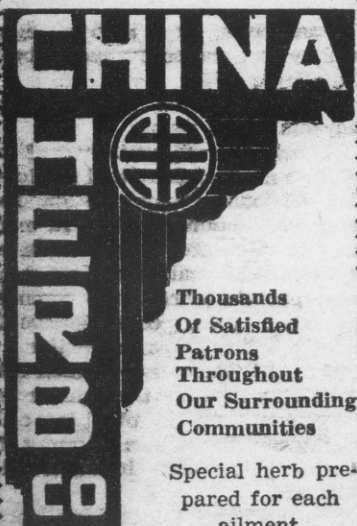
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BARBERS 827—Meets 3rd Tuesday at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8 p.m. Pres., Homer Coley, 1393 E. Market St., phone 2-1668; Rec. Sec., D. L. Hill, 20 W. Gabilan, phone 9085; Fin. Sec., Jimmie Butler, 418 Monterey Ave., phone 3504.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 1 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St. Sec.-Bus. Agt., Al J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633. Pres., Virgil K. Knight, office 117 Pajaro St. Phone 4633.

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 8 p.m. at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey. Pres., William K. Grubbs, 76 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove, Rec. Sec., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina, phone 3-3032. Monterey office, 315 Alvarado, phone 5-6744.

BUTCHERS 506 (Salinas Branch)—Meets 1st Monday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Geo. Johnson, 348 Cayuga St., Rec. Sec., Bob Johnson, 217 Dadaro Dr., Exec. Sec., Earl A. Moorhead, Bus. Agt., E. L. Court-right, 1897 Ellen Ave., San Jose, ph. CYPRESS 5-3849. **Hollister-Gilroy Branch**—Pres., Richard Santa, 122 Vine St., Hollister; Rec. Sec., Harold Johnson, Rt. 2, Box 139, Hollister, ph. 43F5. Main office, 45 Santa Teresa Ave., San Jose phone CYPRESS 3-0252.

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CARPENTERS 925—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Carpenters Hall, Pres., Herbert Nelson, Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Harvey Baldwin, 556 San Benito, phone Salinas 6716, Rec. Sec., A. O. Miller, Hall and office, 422 N. Main St., phone 9293.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION (Monterey County), Salinas—Meets every Friday at 8 p.m., at 117 Pajaro St. Pres., R. A. Wood, Sec.-Treas., Alfred J. Clark, office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 7787.

CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—Meets 2nd Monday at 2:00 p.m. and 4th Monday at 8:00 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple. Pres., Alan Meeks; Sec., Bertha Boles. Office, Gikburg Bldg., 6 West Gabilan St., phone 6203.

DRY CLEANERS 258-B—Meets 2nd Thursday, Wm. Nuelle, 1027 Del Monte St., phone 2-3590. Sec.-Treas., Josephine Jones, 674 E. Market, phone 2-0871. Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco, phone MA 1-3336.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS 243—Meets 1st Wednesday, Executive Board, 3rd Wednesday, 117 Pajaro St. Pres., Alvin Esser, 915 W. Laurel Dr., phone 2-3273; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Mgr., Karl E. Ozois, office 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-2886.

ENGINEERS (Stationary) 39—Meets 3rd Wednesday, 117 Pajaro, Salinas, 8 p.m. Pres., Frank Brantley; Sec., Leo J. Derby; Mgr., C. C. Fitch; Bus. Agt., R. A. Christiansen, Rm. 483, Porter Bldg., San Jose, phone CYPRESS 2-6393. Main office, 474 Valencia St., San Francisco, phone UNDERHILL 1-1135.

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LABORERS 272—Meets 2nd Monday at 8 p.m. at 117 Pajaro St. Pres., R. Fenchel, 146 Hitchcock Rd., phone 5810, office 6939. Sec., J. F. Mattos, 102 Toro, phone 6777. Bus. Agt., J. B. McGinley, Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6777.

LATHERS 122—Meets 3rd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Wm. Krane, Rt. 6, Bx. 513, Watsonville, ph. 4-6262; Sec. & B. A., Ronald Hodges, 612 Wilson, Salinas, ph. 2-2906.

LAUNDRY WORKERS 258—Meets 3rd Thursday at Salinas Labor Temple, at 7:30 p.m. Pres., Hazel Skewes, 1314 2nd Ave., Sec.-Treas., Grace MacRossie, 59-1st Ave. Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco. Phone MA 1-2336. Office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6202.

MECHANICS AND MACHINISTS 1824—Meets 1st Tuesday; Executive Board, 2nd Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Alex Day, res. 611 Doss Ave., phone 2-3775; Fin. Sec., L. W. Parker, 1429 Wren St. phone Salinas 9494.

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PAINTERS 1104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 117 Pajaro St., 7:30 p.m. Pres., Walter Ebel, 530 Park St., phone 2-2884. Rec. Sec. & L. Wendelkin, 1008 Beech St. Fin. Sec. and B. A., Peter A. Greco, 417 Lincoln Ave. Office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 8783.

PLASTERERS 763—Meets 4th Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray T. Jones, 146 Pine St., phone 5530; Rec. Sec., Carl Smith; Fin. Sec. & Bus. Agt., B. G. Burgner, office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-1603.

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS 583—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, Salinas Moose Hall, 7:30 p.m.; (Ex. Board meets every Tuesday, 7 p.m.) Pres., Bert La Forge; Fin. and Rec. Sec., John W. Drew; Bus. Agent., E. R. Arbuckle. Office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-3517.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046—Meets 3rd Wednesday, Woman's Civic Club, 8 p.m. Pres., L. J. Mullins, 114 Kenneth St., ph. 4404; Sec., Richard LaFayette, 300 River Rd., ph. 9973.

PRESSMEN 328 (Monterey Bay Area Printing Pressmen & Ass's. Union)—Meets 3rd Monday of month at Salinas at 8 p.m. Pres., Harry Wingard 950 Colton, Monterey; Sec.-Treas., Robert P. Meders, 151 Toro Ave., Salinas.

RETAIL CLERKS 839—Meets 2nd Wednesday, Women's City Club, 8 p.m. Pres., Raymond Groth, 116 19th St., phone P.G. 5-3389. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Garbld F. Miller, 831 Beach St., Salinas, phone 2-3366. Office, 6 W. Gabilan St., Room 1, phone 4938.

ROOFERS 50—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Geo. Sokols, 701 Ocean View, Pacific Grove; Sec.-Treas. and Bus. Agt., Ed Kidder, 807 Elkington Ave., Salinas, ph. Salinas 2-4229.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Castroville and Watsonville. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alsop, Pacific Grove, phone Monterey 2-3825; Rec. Sec., Ray Kalbal, Box 250, Boulder Creek; Fin. Sec., Ray Opler, 924 East St., Salinas, phone 9274; Bus. Rep., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina. Office phone Monterey 5-6744.

STATE COUNTY MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES 420—Meets on call. Pres., H. E. Lyons, 15 West St., Salinas; Sec.-Treas., W. P. Karchich, 20 Notividad Rd., Salinas, phone 2-2691.

SUGAR REFINERY WORKERS 20616—Meets 2nd and 4th Mondays, Firemen's Hall at 8 p.m. Pres., B. P. Fosselman, Spreckels, Sec.-Treas., Robert S. MacRossie, Spreckels, phone 3064.

TEACHERS 1020—Meets on call. Pres., Don Thompson, 416 Park, Salinas; V. Pres., Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson, Monterey; Sec., Fred Clayton, 70 Robley Rd., Salinas, ph. 3045.

THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 611—Meets 1st Tuesday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 9:30 a.m. Pres., Shedo Russo, 457 Clay St., Monterey, ph. 2-4472; Rec. Sec., A. H. Finley, ph. Salinas 2-2261; Fin. Sec., H. E. Packard, Bx. 584, Watsonville, ph. 4-5610; Bus. Agt., Ray A. Beck, 513 McKenzie St., Watsonville, ph. 4-6127.

TYPOGRAPHICAL 543—Meets last Sunday of month at noon alternating at Salinas and Watsonville. Pres., C. H. Buck, Watsonville, phone 4-3217.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS, WAREHOUSEMEN AND HELPERS 890—Meets 1st Thursday, Salinas Moose Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray Burditt, Sec., Peter A. Andrade; Bus. Agt., Wm. G. Canyon. Office, 274 E. Alisal St., Salinas, phone 5743.

Another Newspaper Goes

St. Louis (LPA)—The St. Louis Star-Times has sold out to the Post-Dispatch and gone out of business. That will leave only the P-D and the Globe-Democrat. The Star-Times itself had been an amalgamation, having absorbed the Times, an afternoon paper. The St. Louis Republic folded years ago.

Elzey Roberts, owner and publisher, declared costs had risen faster than revenues for five years, and it was impossible to continue. "Employees not covered by termination contracts will be fairly treated," he said, "and every effort will be made to help solve individual situations."

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Study Daily Labor Paper

Washington. — The United Labor Policy Committee appointed a committee to study the proposal for establishing a daily labor newspaper along the lines of "The National Reporter," issued by Pittsburgh AFL and CIO unions as a sample after the strike against Pittsburgh dailies last year.

The committee consists of AFL Secretary-Treasurer George Meany; CIO Secretary-Treasurer James B. Carey; AFL Machinists President Al J. Hayes; and A. E. Lyon, executive secretary Railway Labor Employees Association.

41 MINERS DIE

Harrisburg, Pa. (LPA)—The hard coal industry claimed the lives of 41 mine workers in the first five months of this year, 11 more than in the same 1950 period, the state department of mines disclosed.

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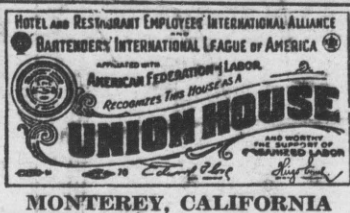
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Local 483 Reports



The first meeting Local 483 in July falls on the fourth (Independence Day), therefore the membership voted to suspend the first meeting in July. The afternoon meeting will be held at usual on the third Wednesday, July 18, at 2:30 p.m. The executive board voted to hold the board meeting, scheduled for the fourth of July, on Tuesday, July third, at 2:30 p.m.

The California State Council of Culinary Workers in cooperation with the University of California will hold a seminar at Berkeley on July 5 and 6, the program to include: "Wage Controls in the Restaurant and Hotel Industry, A Wage Control Clinic, Outlook on Dispute Controls, Effects of War Regulations on Normal Functions of Unions, The International's Program and the Present Emergency, and many other informative topics." The membership of Local 483 voted to send your secretary to that seminar.

SEMINAR STAFF (Berkeley)

Frankie Behan, president, California State Council.

John W. Brown, secretary, California State Council.

Abbott Kaplan, assistant director, Institute of Industrial Relations, University of California, Berkeley.

H. P. Melnikow, director, National Labor Bureau, San Francisco.

Arthur Ross, associate professor of Business Administration and Research Associate, Institute of Industrial Relations, University of California, Berkeley.

A top official of the Washington Wage Stabilization Board.

C. T. McDonough, legislative advisor, California State Council.

John Quinn, vice president, California State Council, Oakland.

Earl Byars, vice president, California State Council, Petaluma.

Lucille Pope, vice president, California State Council, Eureka.

Charles McDermott, vice president, California State Council, Redding.

Helen Root, vice president, California State Council, Fresno.

Frank Quirk, vice president, California State Council, Stockton.

J. H. Morgan, vice president, California State Council, San Jose.

Wm. "Stormy" Walsh, vice presi-

dent, California State Council, San Francisco.

Bernice Sullivan Cooper, vice president, California State Council, Richmond.

Ralph P. Gross, vice president, California State Council, Sacramento.

Respectively submitted,
ROYAL E. HALLMARK,
Secretary-Treasurer.

In Union Circles

Betty Guild is new office secretary for General Teamsters Union 890 in the Monterey office. She has been selected after several tryouts to replace Mrs. Rosalyn Wells, who resigned to devote her time to raising a family.

In last week's Labor News an item regarding the Retail Clerks Union quoted "Secretary Clark." The secretary of this union is Garold F. Miller, who was correctly named elsewhere in the item. Our apologies.

No meeting of the Monterey County Central Labor Union at Salinas last week—the council took its customary night off for "Big Week."

Mrs. Neva Gregory, office secretary for Carpenters Union 1323 of Monterey, was back at her desk last week following a vacation spent resting at Mt. Herman.

Thomas Eide, re-elected business agent of Monterey Carpenters Union 1323, was to take a vacation this week, but gave no inkling of his vacation plans.

Dale E. Ward, former financial secretary and business agent of Monterey Carpenters 1323, has returned from an extended vacation during which he traveled by automobile to Kentucky, Detroit, and other points east.

The first "union of unions" in world history was the Mechanics' Union of Trade Associations, established in Philadelphia in 1827.

Carpenters 1323 Elect Officers; Eide Unopposed

A new president and a new treasurer were elected by Monterey Carpenters Union 1323 during the union's annual election of officers last week, with Business Agent Thomas Eide and Financial Secretary Robert Dalton retained in their offices.

H. R. Shreve was named union president, succeeding W. E. Booker, who was not a candidate. Recording Secretary Leo Thiltgen, who has won the secretary post also of the Monterey Bay Area District Council of Carpenters, was re-elected.

Major change in the official family was the election of James Taylor as treasurer, succeeding W. J. Dickerson in this post. Dickerson has been active in the carpenters union for 49 years, serving in all offices, but longest as financial secretary and for the last 12 years as treasurer. Dickerson also formerly held key offices in the county Building Trades Council.

Elected were:

President: H. R. Shreve.

Vice president: Henry Zimmerman.

Recording secretary: Leo Thiltgen.

Financial secretary: Robert Dalton.

Treasurer: James Taylor.

Business agent: Thomas Eide.

Conductor: Francis Geary.

Warden: Clyde Sweat.

Trustee: James Adams.

Smocks and Pants

In Detroit, a dispute over whether 24 pit assembly workers in the Dodge plant could be forced to wear sleeveless, waist-length smocks instead of coveralls which they preferred resulted in 32,000 men idle because of sympathy strikes or lockouts. Union officials with long memories declared the "smocks" controversy pales into insignificance compared with some of the Detroit strikes of 15 and 20 years ago. On one occasion 21 construction workers went on strike because their employer refused to provide thick rubber pads to put in the seats of their pants in case they fell from their scaffolds. They won their demand, which may have encouraged a small union group in a furniture plant to demand that every 30th sofa produced should go to the union to be raffled off. The union was so definite about this plan that it asked the company to write into the contract a provision requiring each union member who won a sofa to contribute \$5 to the organization's strike fund.

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EDITORIALS

Will You Help Clean House?

That the American people are in dire need of having the most thorough housecleaning of our Congress in the elections that are scheduled for 1952 must be fairly evident to almost every citizen that ever thinks at all.

Our present Congress contains some good Congressmen who have demonstrated they are mindful of the interests of the majority of our people, but they are far in the minority. The overwhelming majority of the members of this Congress are serving special interests instead of the American people, whose efforts have made this country what it really is.

What is to be done about this? What can be done about it? We can and should engage in the greatest political house cleaning in 1952 in which the American people have ever participated. We should eliminate from our present Congress as many as possible of the good-for-nothing members, who occupy seats there now, and who are doing everything they can to obstruct the will of the majority of the American people at the same time they are lending themselves to promoting the schemes and plots of Big Business.

In order to accomplish such a housecleaning in 1952 we must start now the tremendous task of preparation for the political battle that lies ahead. Capable and dependable candidates must be found to replace the worthless ones who are there now. Good ones who are there must be retained. To win such a battle we must organize now and complete all campaign plans long before election time.

Better Stop Inflation

Unless steps are taken soon to stop the present rising spiral of inflation from being boosted ever higher evil days lie ahead. There is perhaps no other means to completely paralyze the whole economy of any nation so effectually as to artificially boost the exchange medium, commonly designated as money, until what formerly could be bought for a dollar requires many dollars to buy.

Everybody is hit by any considerable inflationary trend. To the man who is working for wages it reduces the buying power of his earnings as is the case for everybody else no matter in what form they may be obtaining the income that enables them to secure their life's necessities.

Whenever inflation hits it starts a stampede in every walk of life for more wages, more rents and more for everything in a wild scramble to keep up with the rising prices that inevitably accompany every inflationary wave that makes itself felt.

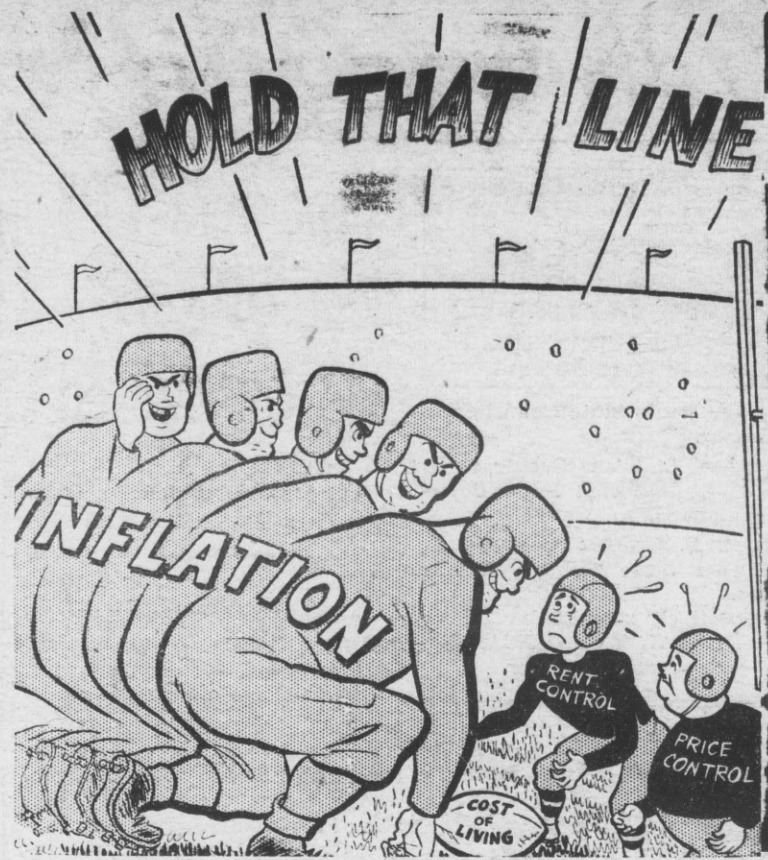
Inflation is nothing more nor less than a general increase in the average prices of nearly everything. If it were possible to increase all prices and all wages in the exact proportion in which inflation might be manifested, then no matter how much inflation soared, so long as everything else went up in the same proportion, little or no effect would be felt on our economy. But what actually does happen whenever our nation's currency takes a nose-dive into the realms of inflation neither wages, savings or anything else can possibly keep up with such a plunge into the realms of the unknown lengths to which any general inflation may go.

Our Congress is given the power to control and stop any inflation by having been given the power under our constitution to issue all money and regulate the value thereof. It alone has the legal power to stop the present inflation. As long as Congress fails to perform this most important function it is neglecting one of its most essential duties. Congress better take the necessary steps to stop our present inflation.

Not till labor settles down to doing its own planning instead of letting two-faced and unfaithful politicians do their political thinking for them will labor start getting anywhere.

It is sad but unfortunately true that the overwhelming majority of the members of our present Congress are serving the interests of a comparatively few special interests instead of the great masses that make up the bulk of our population.

There are some faithful and efficient representatives of our people in the present Congress but most of them have records on which they deserve to be replaced at the next election.



JOKES, Etc.

No use telling a farmer's daughter that the stork brings calves. She knows it's the bull.

A. F. Bartholomew is sure old laborers never die; they just spade away.

"Say, Smith, are you using your lawnmower this afternoon?"
"Yes, I am," Smith replied warily.

"Fine. Then you won't be wanting your golf clubs—I'll just borrow them."

Cannibal cook: "Shall I boil the missionary, Chief?"

Chief: "Don't be silly. That's not a missionary, that's a friar."

"When I marry," boasted Mabel, "a lot of men will feel wretched."

"My goodness," said Marie. "How many are you going to marry?"

Dad thinks he is getting stronger because he can carry \$5 worth of groceries easier than he did 20 years ago.

Another nice thing about silence is that it can't be repeated.

New Circus Actress: "You know sir, this is my first job in a circus. You'd better tell me what to do to keep from making mistakes."

Manager: "Well, don't ever undress in front of the bearded lady."

A kindergarten teacher, with a to get off a street car, just as a pile of books on her arm, was about gentleman, who she thought she recognized as the parent of a pupil in her school, got on. "Good morning," she said, with a cheery smile.

Almost instantly she saw, by the quizzical expression on the face of the man addressed, that she had made a mistake. Intending to correct it, she added quickly: "Oh, pardon me! I thought you were the father of one of my children." He turned pale, and she turned crimson.

The stenographer keeps her memory sharp by the tried and true method of associated ideas, so she wasn't stumped for long when she entered the drugstore and tried to recall the kind of medicine she was sent for. She remembered that it was related to a large city and started naming a few, "London, Berlin, New York, Liverpool. That's it! Carter's Little Liverpools."

Little Lucy has just returned from the children's party, and had been brought into the parlor to be exhibited before the dinner guests. "Tell the pretty ladies what Mama's darling did at the party," urged the proud mother.

"I frowned up," said Lucy.

The inspector of tenement houses found four families living in one room. Chalk marks quartered the room for each family.

"How've you been getting along here?" he asked.

"Pretty good," was the reply, "until the old lady in the far corner began to take in boarders."

The driver reported to his doctor that he was unable to sleep nights. The doctor got all his facts, then said:

"Whenever you can't sleep, take whiskey at intervals during the night."

"Will that help me to sleep, doctor?" asked the driver.

"It should," replied the sawbones, "but if it doesn't, it will at least make it a pleasure to be awake."

World Realty Union

Paris (LPA)—A world-wide "union" of realty men was launched here by 350 delegates from nine nations, including the U. S. Named the International Confederation of Real Estate Agents, the organization will investigate ways of relieving housing shortages, advance professional standards, and protect property rights.



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Besides the benefits paid to a worker and his family when he retires, there are also benefits for a worker's survivors when he dies.

In every case of death of an insured worker, a lump-sum death benefit is paid to the widow or widower, if he or she was living with the worker at the time of death. If neither widow nor widower survives, the lump-sum may be paid to the person paying the funeral and burial expenses.

If the worker leaves a widow and children under 18, they may receive monthly benefits until the children reach age 18. The benefits stop then until the widow becomes 65, at which time she is again eligible for monthly payments which continue the rest of her life. If the widow is 65 or over at the time of the worker's death, she is eligible for monthly benefits beginning with the month in which the death occurred. Of course, if a widow should remarry, her entitlement to widow's benefits would end immediately.

When a worker dies, leaving neither widow nor children under 18, his parents may, in some cases, be eligible for monthly benefits. The parent must be at least 50 per cent dependent upon the worker for his support, and of course must be 65 years old.

On the death of a woman worker, her children under 18 may receive benefits if she was currently insured. Her widower may at age 65, become entitled to monthly benefits on her wage record, if he was dependent on his wife for at least 50 per cent of his support, and if she was both fully and currently insured.

FACELESS DOLLIES

In Chicago, union toymakers offered to make dolls resembling Margaret Truman for children in Iron Curtain countries, after reading a dispatch from Moscow quoting the Russian Literary Gazette. The Soviet magazine reported that little girls are complaining that "all the dolls in the toy shops have exactly the same faces, the same hair-dos, the same dresses." The children protest that it made no difference to name one doll Mashenka and another Olga "because they are the same doll."

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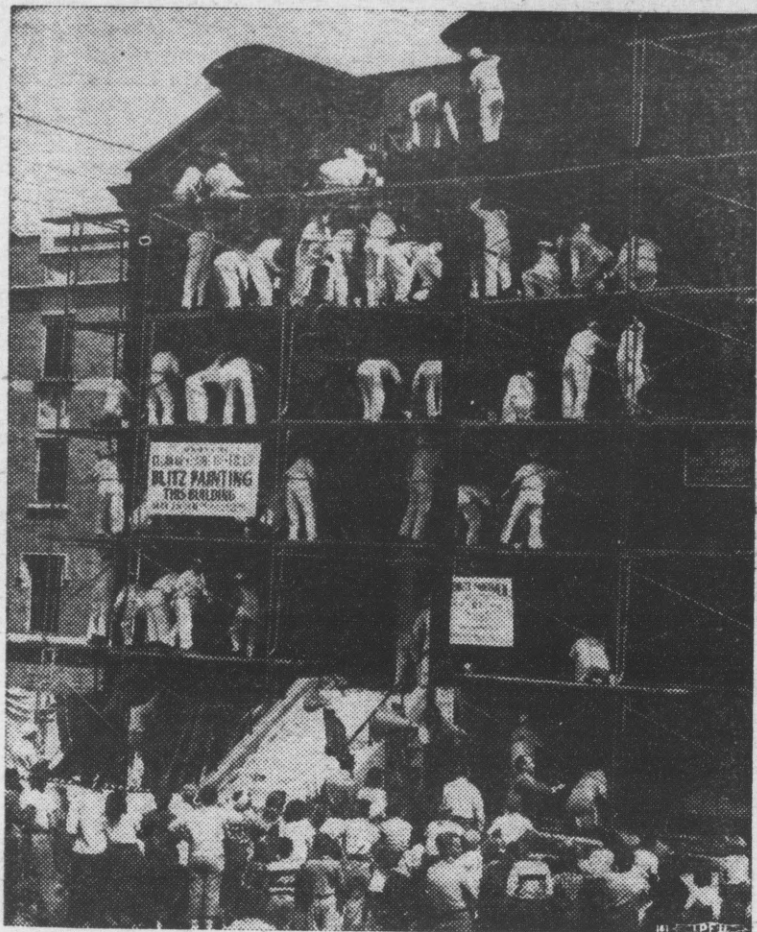


LET'S SWIM—Doris McBride of Miami, Fla., extends an invitation to beat the heat with a plunge in Biscayne Bay which laps at Miami's front door. (LPA)

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MINUTE PAINT MEN—A huge sidewalk audience gathered to watch members of the AFL Painters Local in Jersey City, N.J., paint Whittier House Boys Club in the record time of 7 minutes, 2 seconds. (LPA)

No Tax Hike On Low-Paid

New York.—AFL Vice President Matthew Woll, chairman AFL Tax Committee, asked House Ways and Means Committee members not to increase personal income tax on net income below \$2000.

He sent letters expressing AFL opposition to these proposals tentatively approved in committee to Chairman Robert L. Doughton and Rep. Hal Holmes.

The committee voted to increase personal income taxes 12½ per cent across the board and to boost the excise taxes on cigarettes, gasoline, beer and other cost of living items.

"Any action such as it is reported your committee is considering to increase the personal income tax on net income below \$2000 is unnecessary, uneconomic and inequitable at this time," Mr. Woll wrote Mr. Holmes.

"Moreover we believe the proposed increases in excise taxes will actually serve to reinforce rather than check inflationary forces now operating."

In his letter to Mr. Doughton, Mr. Woll reiterated the AFL view given at public hearings on the tax measure last February. The AFL held that more than \$12 billion can be raised from other sources "without endangering the economy and without having recourse to further additional burdensome taxes on consumers and those in the low income groups."

Mr. Woll asked the committee to revise its proposed tax law to ease the burden on low income tax payers.

State agencies cooperate with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics on estimates of industrial and commercial employment.

Congressmen Want Pen Pals

Washington.—The folks aren't writing to Congress.

And Congress wants pen pals. U. S. News and World Report says:

"Wanted: Pen Pals. Usually a Congressman stock in Washington can read his mail and get a fair idea of what's bothering people in his district.

"But for some reason congressional mail right now is at its lowest point in months. In most offices there is no sign of the familiar, organized 'pressure mail' for or against this law or that.

"More important for politicians Joe Voter, the plain citizen, has about given up writing his Congressman.

"Letters are too scarce and scattered to provide a sample of American public opinion."

AFL members can help correct that situation by following President William Green's advice to write individual letters to their representatives and senators urging enactment of a strong Defense Production Act by June 30 that will really control prices and rents.

Tax Writers Give The Little Fellow A Little Break

Washington (LPA)—The tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee has decided to give the little man a little break. He'll pay only 12½ per cent more instead of 15 per cent more, as the committee originally voted.

The original plan was to lift taxes three points in all brackets. For a man in the lowest income tax bracket (\$2,000 and under) that would have meant an increase from 20 per cent to 23 per cent, a boost of 15 per cent. Under the original plan, the man who now pays an income tax of \$100 would have had to pay \$115. Under the new plan he pays \$112.50. All income taxes will be upped 12½ per cent.

The original plan of a three-point increase clear across the board would have meant the highest boost for the lowest bracket, and lower proportionate increases, until the man in the highest bracket would have paid only 3 per cent more.

Single persons earning less than \$8,000 a year and married persons earning less than \$15,000 a year will pay less under the 12½ per cent formula than under the three-point increase voted previously. Those above these brackets will pay more.

When will the higher personal income taxes go in effect? Probably not before Sept. 1, and maybe not until Jan. 1, 1952.

The committee also stiffened the excess profits tax on corporations to bring in about \$730 million a year more. Under present law a corporation is allowed to take 85 per cent of the best three of the four years 1946-49 as its base period for computing its excess profits tax. The committee moved the base rate down to 75 per cent. The ceiling on what a corporation could be required to pay was increased from the present 62 per cent to 70 per cent.

These changes, and others previously approved, bring the total increase approved by the committee to \$7,197,000,000, still far below the \$10 billion President Truman asks, and slightly under half the \$16 billion boost he requested originally.

CARPENTER COUNCIL TO MEET JULY 10

Next meeting of the Monterey Bay Area District Council of Carpenters will be held in King City on Tuesday evening, July 10, with King City Carpenters Union 1279 as host local. All delegates are urged to mark this date.

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Apprentices Gain Draft Deferements, Sec. Tobin Reveals

Memphis, Tenn. (LPA)—Apprentices with a year's training in a critical occupation were being deferred from military service by some draft boards, and their recall by the Reserve is often put off, Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin revealed June 14.

"I have talked to the Defense Department about placing apprentices who are inducted or recalled in assignments which will allow them to use and continue their training. I am confident that where this can be done, the Defense Department will try to see that it is done," Tobin told the Southern States Apprenticeship Conference.

"There are about 250,000 apprentices receiving training right now—there ought to be a million," he said. "If our skilled labor supply is to be maintained we ought to have one worker in training for every eight on the job in apprenticeable trades."

Unions Start Plans For Label Week

Washington.—Having set an all-time record with the 1951 Union Industries Show, the AFL Union Label Trades Department is now looking ahead to its next big event—Union Label Week, Sept. 2-8.

Ray F. Leheny, secretary-treasurer of the department, said that the special week "affords one of the best public-relations opportunities to promote the sale of union-made goods and the patronage of union-managed services."

"We desire to familiarize all consumers with union labels, shop cards, buttons and all AFL emblems which are the symbols of the highest in merit and craftsmanship," he added. "We must depend on all local branches of the AFL to make the seven-day period an outstanding event in every city in America."

Complete plans and programs for Union Label Week have already been arranged by active Union Label Week committees in many cities, mayors and governors have been requested to issue proclamations declaring it a week of union activities. All media of advertising are being utilized to create public goodwill for organized labor as well as its superb products and services.

Labor Day parades, public rallies, radio programs, picnics and numerous other ceremonies are scheduled for Labor Sunday and Labor Day and during the balance of the seven-day period. All celebrations are timed to round out the entire week with union-label and labor-management activities.

Tennessee AFL Assails Governor

Nashville, Tenn. (LPA)—AFL labor leaders, who praised Governor Browning after the 1949 legislative session, have no kind words for him now. Browning was accused of breaking his promises, and labor gave notice it will be "seeking changes and relief in 1952."

The State Joint Labor Legislative Council, in a 38-page report released at the 53rd annual convention of the Tennessee Federation of Labor, declared Browning had promised to support a bill to amend the state law so as to permit union shop contracts but "we failed to find any real evidence of support for this measure by the governor either in 1949 or 1951."

Foods Up

Washington.—Retail food prices remained about the same from May 15 to May 28.

However, based on an 8-city survey, the retail food price index for May 28 is estimated to be 225.9, approximately 11 per cent higher than in June 1950 (pre-Korea).

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The general evidently forgets his history . . . Liberty is not based on literacy.

Many of the men at Valley Forge had to sign for their pay with simply marks . . . The marks they made in the paymaster's book have long been forgotten, but the marks they made in the books of history will live forever.

While "Generals" make history, it is men who make Freedom live for their children . . .

Rent Facts vs. Fiction . . .

FACT . . . The big real estate lobby is fighting public housing and rent controls.

FICTION . . . The real estate lobby told the House Banking Committee there were 31 million vacant apartments in this country.

FACTS . . . Rep. Abe Muler answered by producing Census Bureau records which reveal that 3 million of those alleged apartments are classified as dilapidated or condemned.

Republican Credit Line . . .

Republican Senator Wayne Morse deserves credit for having launched another investigation . . . that of the so-called China lobby.

In 1942, financial help to the tune of \$200 million was extended to Chiang Kai-Shek's government. While we furnished the gold, top Chinese Nationalist officials manipulated the gold market in China . . . for their own private advantage.

Many of those officials salted away savings and funds for speculation in the U. S. and other countries. Who benefited from American gold? How was it spent? Was any of this used to lobby for the Chinese Nationalist cause? These are some of the questions that Sen. Morse has suggested should be answered.

100 Gain Diplomas at AFL Summer School in Santa Cruz

(State Fed. Release)

Diplomas were handed to more than 100 AFL unionists last Saturday in Santa Cruz at the conclusion of the fourth annual Summer Institute sponsored jointly by the California State Federation of Labor and the University of California.

Heralded as the most successful institute yet conducted by the state AFL, the seven-day session featured top educators and veteran trade unionist speakers.

Heading a delegation flown to Santa Cruz from Washington, D. C. was Boris Shiskin, chief economist for the American Federation of Labor, who taught classes in basic economics and led discussions on labor's role in international affairs. Shiskin recently returned to the U. S. from Paris, where he served as labor advisor to the ECA.

Other Washingtonians in the party were Gordon Cole, editor of the IAM Machinist, and Irwin Tobin, special assistant to Sec. of State Dean Acheson.

Cole directed workshops on Labor Journalism, and Tobin reviewed the role of free labor in western Europe. Until last month, Tobin served as labor advisor to the State Department in Europe.

Fourth easterner on the faculty was William Gomberg, director of the industrial engineering department of the Intl. Ladies Garment

Workers Union, who flew from New York to lead workshops in Collective Bargaining Techniques.

Trade unionist lecturers included Harry Lundberg, executive officer of the Sailors Union of the Pacific; Roy Brewer, international representative of the IATSE; and Einar Mohn, international representative of the Brotherhood of Teamsters.

Paul Marsh, Former Bartender, Succumbs

Paul M. Marsh, former operator of the Redwood Gardens at Salinas and more recently operator of "The Gateway," at Watsonville, passed away last week. Marsh had been member of Salinas Bartenders Union 545, Salinas Culinary Alliance 467, and Santa Cruz County Bartenders and Culinary Alliance 345 in the past 10 years. Listed as survivors are his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Marsh, member of Local 467, two children and several grandchildren.

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RICH GET RICHER, THE POOR POORER

Buffalo, N. Y. (LPA).—AFL President William Green blasted Congress for yielding to big business pressure in formulating legislation, in addressing the 88th annual convention of the State Federation of Labor here.

"The coalition of friends of reaction on both sides of the aisle in Congress produced a Defense Production Act tailor-made to the specifications of narrow special interests, at the expense of the people as a whole," said Green.

"The inevitable consequence of the policies set forth by this Congress has been to make the rich richer, and the poor poorer, and to shift the major burden of sacrifice from those who are best able to bear that burden to those who are least able to bear it."

He warned that unless unions "take vigorous action," Congress may fail to enact "an equitable defense program" to replace the present DPA, which expires June 30.

"If the business and real estate lobbies which are now hard at work have their way," Green declared, "the law which is already loaded in their favor will be so severely emasculated that the net result will be rigid controls over wages, with only token controls over prices."

CONTROL PRICE, QUALITY

"If we are to have a real anti-inflation program, the DPA must be amended to insure more effective price controls over foods; more effective enforcement; control over the quality as well as the price of consumers' goods; dollars-and-cents ceiling prices; stronger rent controls, and changes in the credit restriction provisions on lower and middle income housing."

Green warned also that labor must keep an eye on state and local governments which "have long been fruitful grounds for our adversaries, even when they have

been held in check on the national level.

"Today the states are the focal point of the employer drive for more and broader anti-labor laws. These state laws are a threat to the standards and freedoms of workers everywhere, for they are a spearhead directed against all of us. They often foreshadow trends which become national in scope."

"If our freedoms and our standards are to be protected against attack from within and without, we must be more vigilant and more active than our adversaries in every field in which they operate—at home and abroad, at the national level and at the state and local level, in the economic field and in the political field. So long as we leave one avenue of attack unguarded, we are in jeopardy."

Electricians 180 of Vallejo have started a campaign to organize more civil service electricians at Mare Island, Benicia Arsenal and Travis Air Base. Bus. Rep. Wm. Green reports a good response to the union appeal.

United Labor Group Formed in St. Louis

St. Louis (LPA)—In line with a nationwide trend, representatives of AFL, CIO and rail unions here have formed a United Labor Committee of Greater St. Louis. The officers are Oscar A. Ehrhardt of the CIO, chairman; Robert H. Wadlow of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, vice-chairman; and John I. Rollings of the AFL, secretary. First action of the committee was to attack the inadequate controls under the present Defense Production Act and the new one proposed by the Administration. Walter Reuther, president of the CIO United Auto Workers, has been invited to speak to the group June 11.

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Trainmen, Yard Workers Get Raise

The 26-month-old dispute between the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and railway management has been settled.

The railroads have agreed to give yard workers a raise of 33 cents an hour—or \$2.64 a day. Roadmen will receive an increase of 18 1/2 cents an hour—or \$1.48 a day.

A 40-hour week for yardmen was agreed on. Due to present manpower shortages, it will not take effect until January 1.

Wages will be attached to an "escalator" (cost-of-living) clause. President W. P. Kennedy of the Trainmen signed the contract.

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Labor News

TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 1951

Labor Battles Worker Benefit Wreckers at Sacramento

(State Fed. Release)

Unemployment insurance raiders struck hard and wickedly this past week in Sacramento as the state legislature raced for the compulsory adjournment date of June 23.

The Senate last Saturday passed the Dolwig "lag quarter" bill which is now on the desk of Governor Warren for signature or veto action. Introduced by Assemblyman Richard J. Dolwig (R., South San Francisco), the measure, AB 2502, would nullify wages-earned prior to the filing of a valid claim for use in computing a later award.

Meanwhile, the Assembly smashed another Dolwig attempt to disqualify thousands of workers currently eligible for unemployment insurance when it rejected AB 2501 in a 47 to 27 decision.

Authored by Assemblyman Dolwig and Ernest R. Geddes (R., Pomona), the bill would require that an eligible claimant must earn \$225 in each of two calendar quarters in his base qualifying period.

Federation spokesmen charged the bill would eliminate one-quarter of those now eligible for benefits.

Labor scored a startling victory on the Senate side of the capitol when the upper house voted to kill the Abshire "open shop" bill which would prohibit unions from engaging in peaceful organizational picketing.

In a voice vote, the Senate supported the motion to "postpone indefinitely" any action on the Abshire measure. The motion to freeze the Abshire bill, SB 1702, was made by Senator George Miller Jr. (D., Contra Costa) and was upheld by Senator James J. McBride (D., Ventura) who was presiding at the moment Miller made his parliamentary stroke.

Despite the desperate delaying tactics of Assemblyman Harold K. Levering (R., Los Angeles), the Gaffney-Rumford "little FEPC" bill secured final passage by the Assembly and this Monday was placed before the Governor for probable approval. This is AB 546.

The measure would prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, creed, or color in the hiring of apprentices on public work projects.

Also on the Governor's desk were two other Gaffney bills approved last week, the first being AB 545,

which would allow payment of wages in industrial accidents when a claim is filed, thus making it easier for an employee who refuses to work under unsafe conditions to obtain wages due him, and second being AB 543, which would prohibit the use of inflammable gas in any gasoline test.

The national effort to relieve the wealthy at the tax expense of American wage earners received a definite reversal when the Senate last Friday voted down Senate Joint Resolution No. 10 which would have recommended against any income taxes above 25 per cent of a person's income. William Green, AFL chief, recently warned all state Federations of the scheme to have various states adopt such a restriction as the first step in a plan to so amend the federal constitution.

(*Indicates Federation-sponsored bills.)

Incumbents Win As Carpenters Vote in Salinas

In most instances incumbent officers were re-elected last week as Salinas Carpenters Union 925 held its annual balloting, but there were close and interesting contests for many positions.

Business Agent and Financial Secretary Harvey Nelson was unopposed for re-election as were Recording Secretary A. O. Miller and Treasurer O. L. Little.

President Herbert Nelson was re-elected in one of the contests and Carl Helms proved the popular choice for vice president in another close race.

Results of the election included: President—Herbert Nelson.

Vice President—Carl Helms.

Recording Secretary—A. O. Miller.

Treasurer—O. L. Little.

Financial Secretary and Business Agent—Harvey Baldwin.

Trustee—Russell Jeska.

Conductor—William Barr.

Warden—Jess Stephens.

Arbitration Board—C. Cremona, W. Manchester, D. Halcomb, C. Helms and A. L. Giles.

Delegates to Labor Council—Ed Hanamon, Baldwin, J. Phillips, Helms and Cecil Brophy.

Delegates to District Council—Baldwin, Miller, Nelson; alternates, Jeska, Helms and Manchester.

Refreshment Committee—Cremona, Hanamon, Ed Francis, C. Phillips and Giles.

Orders for Fish Forecast Activity

Government orders for mackerel from the warehouses of two Monterey fish canneries give promise of some more activity on Cannery Row, according to officials of the Monterey Fish Cannery Workers Union.

Two plants were busy for a time last week, one working on squid caught locally and the other on tuna shipped in from other points.

First meeting to begin negotiations on a new contract between the FCWU and cannery operators was scheduled last Thursday afternoon, officials said.

Culinary-Bar Union Members Get Back Pay

Most of the employers in the Salinas area have complied with their new contracts with Culinary Alliance 467 and Bartenders Union 545 and have increased wages by 10 per cent, union officials said.

The new contracts were retroactive as of June 1. In some cases, workers received fair retroactive pay checks as employers caught up with back pay.

Employment in the Salinas area for both unions was somewhat better than usual due to Big Week and the Salinas Rodeo, although officials of the unions said employment was not as high this year as in the past.

EMPIE, BALDWIN AT CONTRACT MEET

W. D. Empie, acting business agent of Salinas Laborers Union 272, and Harvey Baldwin, business agent of Salina Carpenters Union 925, were in San Jose one day last week for a negotiations meeting in regard a new contract covering Permanente Metals Corp. plants at Natividad and Moss Landing. Both report little progress made in the negotiation.

Doctors Will Fight Free Care for Mom and Dad



TELLING AFL STORY—Mrs. Mary Erb, left, of the AFL staff, passes out souvenir rulers at AFL exhibit at Union Industries Show to spectators as part of program telling AFL support for high wages, public schools and union-made goods and services. More than 100,000 pieces of literature and 52,000 rulers were distributed.

Nineteen Locals Win Hourly Boost of 7.5c

Protected by a special reopening clause, which permits opening of the agreement as early as August 21 for a review of the wage structure, the Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters has entered into a pact with the Associated General Contractors and the various home builder associations, reports C. R. Bartolini, secretary.

The new agreement provides for a 7½ cents hourly increase (the maximum permitted under present regulations of the Wage Stabilization Board) and went into effect as of June 15, date of expiration of the old agreement. The journeyman scale for the unions covered in the contract is now \$2.45. Ratification of the agreement by 19 affiliated crafts affected is a mere formality, and action on this will have been taken by all locals concerned by June 27.

19 UNIONS COVERED

In the four counties represented by the Council (San Francisco, Alameda, San Mateo and Marin) there are 27 affiliates altogether. Of the 27, 19 are construction locals. In addition to the various carpenter unions, there are two shingler locals, one floorlayer local and one millwright local, and the contract provides that members of these crafts shall receive \$1 per day above the journeyman carpenter scale.

Several other Council affiliates had already signed new agreements—Pile Drivers 34, two shipwright unions, one caulker union, and four mill locals.

Under the terms of the agreement, the Council can call for reopening as of August 21 on 10 days notice.

Negotiations just concluded have extended over a period of months, although not many actual meetings of representatives of union and employer groups took place.

The negotiating committee for the District Council consisted of Clem Clancy, Local 22, chairman; C. R. Bartolini; Ernie Aronson, Local 483; V. V. Dart, Local 36; Les Williams, Local 1622; Leonard Olson, Local 35; John Haugenberg, Local 1408; John Minahan, Local 848.

Nomination of officers for the new term will be held at the District Council's meeting of July 18 and final election is set for Aug. 1.

Vigilance Urged On Hostile Laws At State Levels

Buffalo, N. Y.—States are the focal point of the employer drive for more and broader anti-labor laws, AFL President William Green warned in a speech at the New York State Federation of Labor's 88th convention.

"These state laws are a threat to the standards and freedoms of workers everywhere, for they are a spearhead directed against all of us," he said. "They often foreshadow trends which become national in their scope."

"In our concentration upon national legislation, we cannot afford to neglect the area of state and local government. State legislatures have long been fruitful grounds for our adversaries, even when they have been held in check on the national level."

"Hostile employer groups have only too often found the members of state and local governing bodies to be completely amenable to their will. As bad as the Taft-Hartley Act is, there still exist on the statute books of many states laws which are even more vicious and repressive."

Mr. Green urged more vigilance and greater action in the economic and political fields at national, state and local levels.

Indian Unionists

Oxford, England (LPA)—Six Indian and Pakistan trade unionists are attending the Trade Union Congress' summer school at the university here, as part of a training course sponsored by the TUC. During their four months stay in England they will visit trade union offices, industrial tribunals and local authorities.

Atlantic City (LPA)—The American Medical Association announced with great fanfare at its convention here the week of June 11 that it would end its fight on national compulsory health insurance in December. The explanation was that the threat of "socialized" medicine had subsided, the fight was won.

But when the trustees decided to dismiss the high-pressure publicity team of Whitaker & Baxter at the year end, the House of Delegates, the AMA policy-making body, reversed the action. The husband-and-wife publicity team (\$50,000 each a year) will be kept for another year.

FREE CARE, OLD FOLKS

There's a reason. The news has leaked out that an amendment to the Social Security Act is being considered, which to the AMA die-hards looks like an opening wedge for national health insurance—"socialized medicine" to the AMA. The amendment would provide for hospital benefits of up to 60 days in any one year for the 5,000,000 who now get federal old age or survivors insurance benefits. Those who favor the move point out that at age 65, under voluntary plans, protection is either reduced or dropped; at 65 most illness is serious; and at 65, those getting federal aid don't have the money to pay for hospital care.

ADMIT HIGH COSTS

Dr. L. H. Bauer, in his inaugural address, urged doctors and medical societies to take an interest in the economics of medicine. "There is no room in medicine for the selfish doctor who thinks only of himself and his income," he said. Declaring "our voluntary insurance programs have made tremendous strides," he added, "but it is not yet the complete answer. It must be expanded to fill the gaps that still exist."

BECK VS. DAN TOBIN

The AMA made much of the fact that Dave Beck, vice president of the AFL Teamsters, addressed the convention in opposition to compulsory health insurance. There was no mention that Dan Tobin, Teamsters' president, favors health insurance. And the June 1951 issue of the American Federationist, AFL monthly, devoted its back cover to a big picture of AFL President William Green and his message that the AFL will continue to fight for national health insurance.

The message called the AMA "a spearhead of reactionary forces"—praised the Committee for the Nation's Health, and urged AFL members to contribute to the CNH, which has spearheaded the battle for compulsory health insurance. The Federationist carried a long article by Dr. Channing Frothingham, chairman of CNH, nailing the AMA lie that compulsory health insurance is "socialized medicine." He said that "slowly but surely, the truth is winning through against medical lobby propaganda in important phases of the President's national health program."

Collective Bargaining Is Best for Defense

In time of peace or war, collective bargaining is the best way to settle labor disputes.

That's what Chairman George Taylor of the Wage Stabilization Board (WSB) told the House of Representatives Banking Committee May 14.

"During this period, when we are preparing for our national defense, we must use all the tools of achieving agreement at our command," says Taylor.

"These techniques include collective bargaining, conciliation, and mediation . . . We have retained and underlined the fundamental principle of voluntarism as the basis for the settlement of labor disputes."

By the end of 1947, more than 2450 manufacturing and mining companies that were independent in 1939 had disappeared as a result of mergers and acquisitions.